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REMARKS

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25X1 1. On 27 April 1953, a train of 69 boxcars with billeting equipment and other items and an was unloaded at the Dessau freight station. The trucks of the AAA unit which was recently transferred to Kochstedt hauled the materiel from the station to the quarters in Kochstedt.

2. From 22 to 30 April, the following trucks hauled trunks, boards, pit props, sand and earth to the engineer camp at Aken, north of the Aken-Dessau road, south of Rietzmeck and Brambach from Aken and Dessau.

the trucks were occupied by soldiers who wore black-bordered black epaulets, including some with red-bordered black epaulets.²

3. On 27 April, water training sites Nos 2, 3 and 4 were occupied by troops in about the same strength as in 1952. Between 20 to 27 April, troops engaged in practice construction of ferries, ferry activity on the water pontoons and other amphibious cars and construction of trestle bridges and landing stages. Trucks which were continuously hauled to the engineer depot and water training site No 1 were sawn and processed as building material.

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2. comment. The unidentified engineer regiment of the GOFG and engineer units of the Eighth Gds Army, including the 880th Engr Bn of the XXVIII Gds Mtz Rifle Corps for the first time, are confirmed in the engineer training area west of Dessau. The arrival of the engineer battalion was previously reported.

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